

St. Cornelius Parish

SUNDAY BULLETIN

May 14, 2023



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St. Cornelius Parish Office Hours

Monday thru Thursday 8:00 am to 3:00 pm

Friday 8:00 pm to 12:00 pm Noon

Saturday: Confessions 2:30 - 3:30 Vigil Mass 4:00 pm

Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am, 4:00 pm

Weekday Mass: 7:30 am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Friday's after morning Mass to 4 pm

LiveStream www.livestream.com/saintcornelius

Thoughts from the Second Floor Front

VI Sunday of Easter

May 14, 2023

This weekend Jesus tells us that He loves us. That is not only good to know; it is good to be reminded of that reality. In his first encyclical, Our Holy Father wrote the following

There is an urgent need, then, to see once again that faith is a light, for once the flame of faith dies out, all other lights begin to dim. The light of faith is unique, since it is capable of illuminating every aspect of human existence. A light this powerful cannot come from ourselves but from a more primordial source: in a word, it must come from God. Faith is born of an encounter with the living God who calls us and reveals his love, a love which precedes us and upon which we can lean for security and for building our lives. Transformed by this love, we gain fresh vision, new eyes to see; we realize that it contains a great promise of fulfilment, and that a vision of the future opens up before us.

Lumen Fidei § 4

Love is a word that is used for all sorts of things. It is the subject of tinny sounding songs on the radio and the theme of sometimes-sloppy sentiment found in greeting cards. The sort of love to which Jesus refers today is unique. It is called unconditional or disinterested love. There are certain qualities to this love. St. Paul goes on beautifully with his descriptors of love as patient, kind, long suffering and gentle in the first letter to the Church in Corinth.

Our Holy Father lands on the key point about Jesus telling us that he loves us. That love is transformative; with the confidence that the knowledge of God's love for us gives we are empowered to live in manner that is foreign to those who do not know God. When I was Academic Dean at St. Charles Seminary I would regularly meet with the faculty for a variety of reasons. On more than one occasion I would challenge the individual professors with the question: What difference will the treatment make? In other words, when those seminarians walk into your classroom in September at the start of the semester and then walk out at the end of the term in December, what difference will be achieved because of the learning experience? How will they be changed?

So, to you I put the question: What difference will the love of God make in you? Will it be transformative as Pope Francis asserts in his encyclical? Will you have fresh vision and new eyes to see? Will you recognize the future opening up before you? We can all certainly be weighed down by the burdens that seem to be so much a part of our lives. But the Light, which is Jesus has come into the world. Jesus also said: I am the way and the truth and the life. There are some ancient manuscripts that have that verse this way: I am the way **to** truth and life. Know Jesus, know truth. No Jesus, no truth.

Recently I once again picked up C. S. Lewis's work Mere Christianity. Lewis has a terrific ability to present complicated theological issues and through a series of analogies probes and explains some of the essential aspects of what it means to be a Christian in language that makes Christianity accessible. He begins, as all good theological reflections begin, with philosophy. The philosophical school that drives most of Catholic theology is based on the teaching of Thomas Aquinas. Aquinas, unlike an increasingly larger number of people today, even believing Catholics, recognizes the existence of objective reality. There was a time, and it was not centuries ago, when people were fairly able to recognize something that is true and something that is not true. In the homily he delivered before the conclave that elected him pope, Cardinal Ratzinger, warned of the dangers of the moral relativism that has been creeping into our culture, society and even our families. I regularly assert that because we know Jesus, we must live in a manner that is different than those who do not know Jesus.

Faithfully,

Msgr. Diamond

Reflections on Jesus' Ascension

On the feast of the Ascension, we are called to rejoice both in Jesus' victory over sin and death and in the glorious life that he has secured for us. We pray that we would experience the new life that is ours in Christ.

Three aspects of that new life stand out in the Second Mass Reading for the feast: "May you know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power in us who believe" (Ephesians 1:18-19).

As Christians, our hope is secure because it rests in Jesus' death and resurrection. Because Jesus has overcome sin forever, we can live in freedom and peace, no matter what situations we may face. We have been reconciled to God. We are no longer strangers. Every day, we can live in confidence, knowing that our God is with us to strengthen and comfort us.

Our hope is also founded in the inheritance Jesus won for us—none other than being with our Father forever, knowing him intimately, in all his splendor and beauty. In his ascension, Jesus has opened the door for us. Though we are sinners, we have been forgiven and redeemed. We are now fully loved and accepted as God's children, and we will live with him forever.

As we live every day in the hope of our eternal inheritance, however, we can begin to taste these blessings here and now. This is part of the "immeasurable greatness of his power in us who believe." Before he returned to his Father, Jesus promised his disciples that anyone who believed in him would be able to cast out demons, heal the sick, and perform signs and wonders in his name (Mark 16:17-18). How? By the power of the Holy Spirit, who lives inside of us. The same Spirit who raised Jesus from the dead is in our hearts, inviting us to yield to him and empowering us to live in the victory of the resurrection. No challenge is too great for a child of God!

Lord Jesus,
we rejoice today
in your ascension
to the Father's right hand.
Thank you, Lord, for
offering us a share
in your heavenly life.
By your Spirit, help us
to lay hold of our
inheritance in you,
the hope, the glory,
and the power
that are the right
of every child of God.
Amen



Happy Mother's Day



Loving God,
We thank you for the love
of the mothers you have
given us, whose love is so
precious that it can never
be measured, whose patience
seems to have no end.

We pray for those mothers
who fear they will run out
of love or time, or patience.
We ask you to bless them
with your own special love.

Amen

2023 PA PRIMARY

Pro-Life Voter Guide
www.paprolife.org/vote

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*"Just so, your light must
shine before others, that
they may see your good
deeds and glorify your
heavenly Father."*

Let the light of your marriage sacrament shine for all. Make your light bright by attending the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience at Our Lady of Czestochowa Shrine in Doylestown, PA.

July 7-9 • Oct 6-8 • Nov 10-12

- ♦ **Anytime is the perfect time to romance your spouse.**
- ♦ Worldwide Marriage Encounter puts the spark back in your marriage.
- ♦ Get off the treadmill of life and focus on each other.
- ♦ Sign up today to attend one of the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends on
- ♦ Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at:
website at wwwme-philly.org

Or call (610) 449-1859 for more information.



!!! SAVE THE DATE !!!

American Red Cross
Blood Drive
St. Cornelius!



Thursday, May 25, 2023
2PM to 7PM - Parish Life Center

Or register at redcrossblood.org using St. Cornelius as the sponsor code or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) Call Marilyn at 484-732-8842 leaving your name and phone number with any questions.

The need for blood is constant and only volunteer donors can fulfill that need in our community. Nationwide, someone needs a unit of blood every 2 to 3 seconds. Blood cannot be manufactured. It can only come from generous donors like YOU.

Be that Good Samaritan! Be a donor on May 25th !!!

Eligibility questions?

Call the Red Cross Donor Center @ 1-866-236-3276

Matthew XXV Garden



Garden cleanup was a success! In coming days we will continue the next phase of gardening. We will be spreading compost, rototilling, laying weed cover, edging the rows and replacing water lines. Continuing our readiness for planting in Mid-May (date TBD). If you have stopped by the greenhouse you can see we have plenty to plant. Our seedlings have taken off and are looking very healthy. Many thanks to the PREP Students. We are currently looking for newspapers (black and white only, no color print) to use for ground cover/weed control. We have a bin in the garden area to collect newspapers. Another bin is located just inside the doors to the church as you enter the building.

We can use all the help we can get. After planting in May we will have the routines of watering, weeding, staking, and eventually harvesting. If you would like to be included in the garden sign-up genius please email joburns66@gmail.com. Otherwise look for updates in the Bulletin and via Monsignor Diamond's Thursday email.

Children working on volunteer projects / hours are welcome.

Want to get involved, but not sure how? Click on the QR code to go to our site and sign up for either planting or grass cutting.

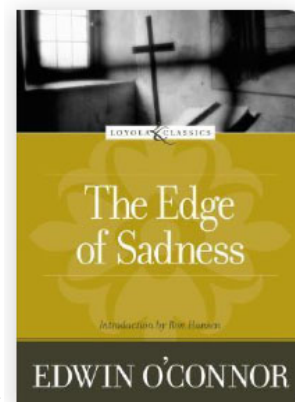


The St. Cornelius Literary Society

The Edge of Sadness

by Edwin O'Connor.

Winner of the Pulitzer Prize for fiction. In this moving novel, Father Hugh Kennedy, a recovering alcoholic, returns to Boston to repair his damaged priesthood. There he is drawn into the unruly world of the Carmody's, a sprawling, prosperous Irish family teeming with passion and riddled with secrets. The story of this entanglement is a beautifully rendered tale of grace and renewal, of friendship and longing, of loneliness and spiritual aridity giving way to hope.



**Date for the next meeting is Sunday,
June 11th at 1:00 PM**



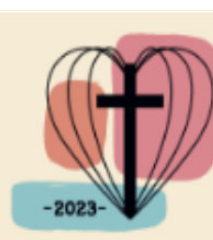
Eucharistic Adoration

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament flows from the sacrifice of the Mass and serves to deepen our hunger for Communion with Christ and the rest of the Church.

Join us for Adoration on Friday mornings after Mass. You are welcome to visit anytime during the day until we repose the Blessed Sacrament at 4:00 PM.

***If a funeral is scheduled for a Friday,
there will be NO exposition.***

***N.B.: Adoration will be suspended from
Memorial Day to Labor Day and resume on
September 8th.***



**CATHOLIC
CHARITIES
APPEAL 2023**

catholiccharitiesappeal.org



The Sunday collection is very important for us to maintain our fiscal responsibilities. So, if you are away on a Sunday, *ENJOY*; but remember *YOUR* church.

May 7, 2023

WeShare eGiving \$9,386.50
Envelope Offering \$10,928.50
\$20,315.00



*"For where your treasure is,
there also will your heart be."*

Luke 12:34



St. Cornelius Early Learning Center

Saint Cornelius Early Learning Center Job Opportunity

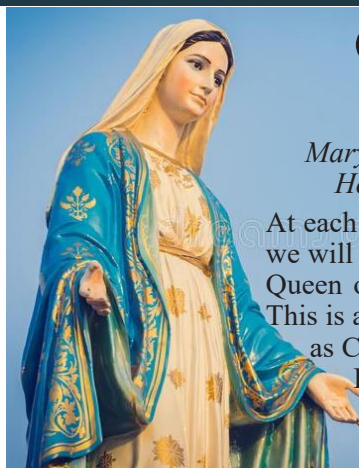
Assistant Teacher

Saint Cornelius Early Learning Center is now accepting applications for part time assistant teachers for the upcoming 2023-2024 school year. We are looking for candidates, who are enthusiastic, energetic, and flexible. We are looking to hire individuals who are available Monday through Friday from 8 AM to 3 PM. Hours can be made flexible.

For more information about the position and necessary qualifications, please contact: Abigail McCusker at akohlbrener@scornelius.org or call 610-459-8663

*Let us pray for our Men and Women
serving in the Armed Forces. Especially for:*

SSG Ana Brunal	Sgt Jason Lyons
SPC Mike Canfield	2nd Lt. Kevin Malone
Cpl Michael Castle	Sgt Alexander Marlow
Lt. Connor Cleary	Pfc Zachary Marlow
Fr. Joseph Coffey (Chaplain)	LT. Cmdr Daniel McCadden
Maj Robert B. Cusick, Jr.	CSM Sean McGlensey
Capt Joshua deFreitas	Capt Jonathan McGrath
SSGT Michael DiVernieri	LT Molly K. McGuckin
Cadet Emily Fanning	LCDR Ryan A. McGuckin
Ens Ryan Gallagher	Cpt Sean P. Noll
Sgt Eric Gardner	Lt. Col Brian J. O'Shea
Capt Matthew Gibbons	Lt. Cmdr Inga O'Shea
Ens Patrick Gibbons	Maj James O'Shea
Ens John Paul Gibbons	PFC L Roland
Maj Rachel Gonzalez	Capt. Neal F. Schubert
SPC Logan Hannum	HM3 Charles Schwartz
Sgt Andrew Hart	MSG Nicholas Spadaccini
Devin J. Hunt	MSG Thomas Stone
PO1 Nathan R. Keller	Cpl Mark Truex
Lt Lauren Kinnee	Lt. Christopher Vish
Capt Daniel Kohli	1st Lt Aidan Walsh
Capt Chris Love	Capt Jennifer Wynn
Capt Megan Love	



Crowning of Mary

*Mary is crowned as Queen of
Heaven and of our lives.*

At each of the Masses this weekend we will have a crowning of Mary as Queen of Heaven and of our lives. This is a long tradition in our faith as Catholics as we lift our Blessed Virgin Mary as Mother to all.



**YOUNG CATHOLIC
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In a world that can be void of meaning and leave young adults restless and dissatisfied, Young Catholic Professionals Philadelphia brings together young professionals in their 20s and 30s into a community of belonging, support, and encouragement at all stages of your faith journey. Young Catholic Professionals empowers and equips you to live your Catholic faith through everyday work and to perform all work with excellence for the glory of God.

Our patron saint is Saint Joseph the Worker. Our mission calls upon the intercession of Saint Joseph the Worker, a simple carpenter who reminds us of the importance of stillness, reflection, and prayer.

Young Catholic Professionals mission is to challenge, train, and inspire young adults working in various professional careers to work in witness for Christ. For more information go to our local Philadelphia website at

www.ycpphiladelphia.org/cpages/home



We are happy to announce there is a new, easy way to help support St. Cornelius Early Learning Center! The new and improved app uses technology to scan your store receipt, find participating products and instantly add Box Tops to your school's earnings online. 1.To participate in the new digital program simply, download and use the Box Tops App! 2.Find St. Cornelius and connect your box tops app to our school. 3.Start scanning your paper or digital receipts and earn money for our school



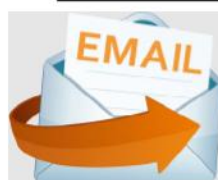


St. Cornelius Early Learning Center

We showered our moms with lots of love this week at our annual Mother's Day Tea Party. We enjoyed yummy breakfast foods and gave our mom some special gifts. We hope our moms loved their day! WE LOVE OUR MOMS!



"Help provide home cooked meals to neighbors in need! Caring for Friends (formerly Aid for Friends) is collecting frozen meals and soups for homebound seniors and food insecure individuals. Meal trays and soup containers can be found in the utility closet on the right of the side door of the narthex. Consider putting aside an extra dinner or soup portion, freeze it and then bring it to the freezer also located in the utility closet. PLEASE sign the meals and soup in on the list attached to the shelves next to the freezer. The food is distributed all over the Greater Philadelphia Area. This effort is on-going at our parish. We invite you to contribute what you can." If you have questions, please contact Nancy Todor 609-234-119



Monsignor's Thursday Email

Msgr. Diamond's weekly Thursday Email is a popular weekly news letter for our parishioners. Currently there are **over 1047** people who receive his email each Thursday afternoon. If you would like to be on our distribution list, please call the office at (610) 459-2502 or send your request to be added to our distribution at

Stcorn1@comcast.net



A Good Neighbor to the Homeless Opportunity to help a homeless family!

Saint Cornelius has four families who are serving as a support team for a local family experiencing homelessness. They have received training with Bridge of Hope and have been assigned a family to serve as good neighbors. Bridge of Hope provides case management for the vulnerable family and guidance for the volunteers, who meet with the family regularly.

Our family had a new addition in January! We continue to deliver meals to the tired mom and to search for needed baby items for the family. We received a donation of a requested double baby stroller from one of our parishioners. Thank you so much - our family is so grateful and appreciative!!

For more information email colleenmz@hotmail.com or call 610-361-9412.

Please keep our family in your prayers.

CRS NATIONAL SPOTLIGHT

Catholic Relief Services and USAID have recently trained representatives from the city government of Borongan on climate change communication. These representatives are now encouraging community members to take part in climate actions and become advocates of change. The participants were able to create their own climate change communication plans. Visit www.crs.org for more information and to see how you can help!

"With regard to climate change, the advances have been regrettably few. Reducing greenhouse gases requires honesty, courage and responsibility, above all on the part of those countries which are more powerful and pollute the most... International negotiations cannot make significant progress due to positions taken by countries which place their national interests above the global common good. Those who will have to suffer the consequences of what we are trying to hide will not forget this failure of conscience and responsibility."

~ Pope Francis, Laudato Si
(Papal Encyclical), Paragraph 169



Updating Our Prayer List

We are attempting to update our prayer list as it has grown over the years. If you know of a loved one listed whom you feel has been helped by our prayers and are now recovered, please email the office at stcorn1@comcast.net so we can remove their name.

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL AND THOSE WHO CARE FOR THEM

Harold Von Brockdorff, Fr. Locke, Jeff Behm, Mary Harmes, Mary Helen Arthur, Charles Foster, Anne Spetzer, Pete Petroll, Ginger Casey, Deacon Richard Wirth, Lawrence Ramunno, Carolyn Duffy, Carleen Peters, Marian Short, Matthew Hess, Bryan Thompson, Cindy Ficca, Carol McKnight, Paul Lucas, Carla Santoleri, Richard Mccarrielli, Edward Field, Judy Field, Joyce Monaco, Matthew Hurst, Leonard Smith, Jr., Jim Waters, Kathie Buckley, Bernice & Arthur Hindle, Sean Mulvey, George Butler, Margaret Butler, Patricia Wells, Kathy Williams, Michael Gibbons, William Grant, Shirley Masse, Ellen Brisgone, Laura O'Brien-Black, Elizabeth Kephart, Tina Landis, Bill & Theresa Sherwin, Michelle Dillione, Chris Roe, Frank Kuders, Kylee Dougherty, Dave and Ronnie Pryce, Rosemary Brennan, Ellie May McGrath, Vicki Wojdak, Deacon Clem McGovern, Andrea Bateman, Brandon Heacock, Brittany Lott, Nancy Young, Peyton Lott, Billy Lott, Nanci Ehmer, Peggy Peters, Paul McEneaney, Ken Rudert, Ed Shell, Ellie McCreight, Ellie Griem, Gregory Varacchi, Michael McKinnen, Connie Carney, Luke Post, Jim Buckley, Jerome Lienhard, Mary Rose Salisbury, Margery Butler, Charlotte Kensicki, Jim Barr, Jerome Lichard, Lisa Winkleblech, Aaron Winkleblech, Patricia Butler



The Faith Community Nurse Holistic Health Ministry

On request, Faith Community Nurses are making home visits to families who may be experiencing medical or social difficulties. The nurses confidentially address the needs holistically through bringing with them prayers from the parish, a knowledge of the medical field and process for providing support. If you know of anyone in the parish or beyond who would benefit from these services, please email: stcfen@gmail.com. Contact person is Joan Holliday, RN/FCN at (610) 717-2180.



The Ministry of Consolation

A St. Cornelius community response to the needs of people grieving the death of a significant person/persons in their lives, the ministry honors the words and example of the Lord Jesus:

"Blessed are they who mourn; they shall be consoled"

(Matthew 5:4).

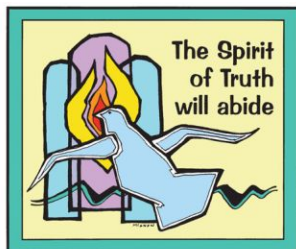
A team of four St. Cornelius church members have been trained to set up and facilitate a Support Group for the Consolation Ministry.

On **May 20, 2023**, the Consolation Group will meet at the **Parish Life Center, Fr. Simon Room** from **2:30pm to 3:30pm**.

Contact Joan Holliday for any questions
docholliv@aol.com or call (610) 717-2180.

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 14, 2023



"I will ask the Father,
and he will give you .
. . the Spirit of truth."

— John 14:16-17

Assisted Hearing Devices

We have 4 assisted hearing devices, which connect directly to the sound system that are available for use at each Mass. They are located on the table by the Sacristy entrance.

Easy to operate: put 2 batteries in and you are good to HEAR!

Comments from satisfied users:

Wow - That is the first time in a long Time that I have heard everything at Mass.



Lending Library



You may not be aware of the Lending Library that exists in our ambulatory, near the large stain glass windows overlooking the family portico. The cart pictured to the left contains a variety of reading material that you are welcome to take with you. You may also find a variety of holy cards, prayer pamphlets and novenas. Please feel free to take what you like.

Prayer Shawl Ministry... Come, Join US!



Did you know that each baby baptized at St Cornelius receives a hand-made blanket made by our Prayer Shawl Ministry? You are welcome to join us in this rewarding ministry. We also make shawls, blankets, scarves, hats, mittens etc. for elderly homes, the Giving Tree and anyone looking for a comforting gift.

**Every 4th Monday of each month
1:30pm to 3:00pm**

We find ourselves in need of white acrylic yarn or funding to help continue this wonderful ministry. Please prayerfully consider donating to our ministry or purchasing a "Pound of Love" or "Caron Pound" of white acrylic yarn. We have a basket set up in the narthex, below the large TV monitor, to offer our works and for your donations. Also, you are welcome to drop off any yarn donations to the Parish Life Center. Donations are greatly appreciated.

Shawls and blankets are available in the Bethany Room. If you have any questions, please contact

Mary Jo Shell, (610) 361-8198
or Joanne Fonash, (610) 299-9694



PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM (PREP)

Saint Cornelius Parish

You can contact Mrs. Sullivan at
stcornprep@scornelius.org or by calling
the PREP office (610) 459-7723

PREP

We would like to wish all of the mothers in our program a Happy Mother's Day! What a special day to come together for our end of year Mass. Please keep an eye out for all of the First Communicants and Newly Confirmed at Mass today. Congratulations to all!

Our PREP registration for the 2023-24 year is open. If you have a 1st through 7th grader who has not yet registered, please contact Julie Sullivan at stcornprep@scornelius.org for more information.

Call for Volunteers! The success of our programs depends heavily on the generosity of our volunteers. If you are interested in teaching in our program, please contact Julie Sullivan at

stcornprep@scornelius.org.

YOUTH GROUP

Our Youth Group has wrapped up for the year, we will still have volunteer opportunities available throughout the summer and will share them via email or on our webpage. If you would like to be added to our distribution list, please contact Julie Sullivan at

stcornprep@scornelius.org.



Children's Liturgy of the Word

Our children's liturgy of the Word is open to children 3-1st grade. We would love to see your child share in the Liturgy of the word on their level. All are welcome.

Next Sunday, May 21st will be the last children's liturgy of the year. We hope to see many of the children back next fall.

If you are interested in helping with our children's liturgy next year, please contact Julie Sullivan at stcornprep@scornelius.org.



**St. Cornelius JUNE Food Drive
to benefit Kennett Food Cupboard
KACS**

(Kennett Area Community Services)
Serving the basic needs of the poor in the
Kennett Square Area!

Over 400+ families and 41,000 lbs. of food/month
in the Kennett Square Area!



The Weekend of June 3rd & 4th

Suggested donations:

- Low sugar cold cereals
- Canned tomato products
- Rice (2 lb. packages)
- Dried beans (kidney, black & pinto)
- Salt, pepper, garlic, cayenne pepper
- Various canned vegetables
- Ketchup, mayonnaise, hot sauce
- Tuna
- Cooking oil, vegetable oil
- Canned low sugar fruit
- Canned meals: Beef stew, pasta, baked beans, Spaghettios, SPAM
- Peanut butter & jelly
- Baking: Flour, sugar, masa flour

There will be volunteers to assist in loading your donations onto the truck from KACS which will be located in the parking lot of the church. Thank you!

For further information OR to volunteer,
please contact:

Jean Burke (610) 220-6646
or Nancy Todor (609) 234-1193

Sunday Mass Intentions

7:30 AM	Cornelius & Kathleen Kearney
9:00 AM	Frances Brace
11:00 AM	Robert T. Blair
4:00 PM	Marion Cullen

**Weekly Mass Schedule
(Week of May 15 - May 19)**

Saturday Vigil / Sunday Morning

Intention: *Missa pro populo (Mass for the people)*
Reading: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16,
20; 1 Pt 3:15-18; Jn 14:15-21

Monday 7:30 AM

St. Isidore

Intention: Lucretia Fitzpatrick
Reading: Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b;
Jn 15:26 - 16:4a

Tuesday 7:30 AM

Intention: Nobile Tranzilli
Reading: Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday 7:30 AM

Intention: Ronald & Thomasina Bena
Reading: Acts 17:15, 22 - 18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14;
Jn 16:12-15

Ascension Thursday

7:30 AM • 12:00 Noon • 7:00 PM

The Ascension of the Lord

Holy Day of Obligation

St. John I, Pope and Martyr
Reading: Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20

Friday 7:30 AM

Intention: Ordination Anniv. of
Fr. Thomas Wittingham & Fr. Bob Ianelli
Reading: Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47:2-7; Jn 16:20-23

PILGRIM STATUE

05 - 14 - 2023	Mary Chuchman
05 - 21 - 2023	Lisa Daughen
05 - 28 - 2023	Debbie Brisgone

The sign up sheet for 2023 is available.

Call Carla Santoleri at (610) 361-8447
for more information.



Monsignor Diamond's 40 Year Ordination Anniversary Sacrament of Holy Orders Commemoration May 21, 2023

*"God didn't call me to be successful,
He called me to be faithful"*

-St. Mother Teresa

Fellow Parishioners,

On May 21, 1983, our Pastor – Reverend Monsignor David Diamond – *faithfully answered God's call* to the Priesthood in the Sacrament of Holy Orders.

St. Francis De Sales once observed that *there is nothing small in the service of God*. Over the past 40 years, Monsignor Diamond has humbly dedicated himself to embracing each call to serve our Lord by His grace, both in and through his vocation.

Please join us at Mass on the weekend of May 21st, as we commemorate the 40th anniversary of our Pastor's Ordination to the Priesthood. Immediately after the Vigil and all Sunday Masses, there will be opportunity to greet our pastor Msgr. Diamond and share in refreshments, as he continues to serve the Lord through his pastoral ministry at St. Cornelius.

As we commemorate our Pastor's 40th Anniversary of Ordination, our Parish is also opening opportunities to participate in

donations which will help meet a vital parish need. The parish vestments worn by the assigned and visiting Priests and Deacons in service of our parish have deteriorated after decades of use.

Vestments that are replaced will continue to be kept in the service of our parish. Among the many ways to contribute, for example, parishioners will have opportunities to have embroidered labels sewn into vestments, as a lasting tribute or memorial to a loved one. Our parish will provide further information soon.

We thank our Lord Jesus for Monsignor Diamond's faithful service to God and His people. It is our honor and joy to help celebrate this milestone with him. We continue to look for his help as we Go Forth – to deepen our friendship with Jesus and grow in our mission to bring Jesus to others!

Sincerely,

ST CORNELIUS CHURCH

Jonathan Lippard

Jonathan Lippard
Vice-Chair
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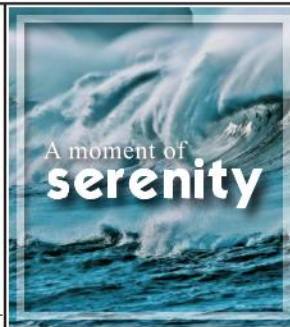
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